Risks Insurance Scheme, and this is the amount that we require for the payment of premium for this year and the early part of next year.

Demand put and carried

6. Rs. 147 under "31—Industries and Commerce—Reserved A—Direction and Inspection—Miscellaneous"

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: I rise to move for a grant of Rs. 147 under "31—Industries and Commerce—Reserved A—Direction and Inspection Miscellaneous." It is for installing a phone in the office of the Director of Industries and Commerce.

Demand put and carried

7. Rs. 1,250 under "31—Industries and Commerce—Reserved A—Direction and Inspection—Miscellaneous"

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: I rise to move for a grant of Rs. 1,250 under "31—Industries and Commerce, Reserved—A—Direction and Inspection, Miscellaneous". It is for paying the premium under the War Risks Insurance Scheme for the Potteries at Chalakkudi.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamangalam)*: I rise to oppose this motion. It was not my original intention to seek to throw out this demand altogether. I just wanted to discuss the policy of the Government in this matter and with that end in view. I had sent notice of a cut motion on this demand and I do not know why it has not found a place in the agenda. As a member of the Standing Finance Committee, I bear my own part of the responsibility in having got this item passed. During the deliberation of that Committee, I had the privilege of offering a few remarks in this matter and I am surprised to find those remarks not recorded in the printed proceedings of that Committee. So, I have no other go but to seek to oppose this demand outright. But, on a reconsideration of the matter, Sir, I feel I am justified in opposing this demand. But before seeking to explain to the House why I feel in the matter in this way, I wish to have a few points of information from the Government. May I know, Sir, whether the Government have tried to pursuade the present lessees to pay this premium for insuring the Chalakkudi Potteries?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: We have not asked them.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamangalam)*: I am for insuring the Potteries, and I am not against it. May I know whether the period of the original lease deed has expired recently?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: It has been extended for another 17 years.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamangalam)*: When was it extended?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: I want notice.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamangalam)*: I protest against the absence of a sense of responsibility on the part of the Government in this matter. The Hon'ble Joint Secretary wants notice when such an important matter is under discussion in the House. I record my protest, Sir. Then, may I know whether any changes have been made in the conditions and terms of the agreement, and whether the Government have given the matter wide publicity? Have the Government entered into the agreement on the same terms and conditions?

Mr. President: The question that we are considering now, is the War Risks Insurance.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamangalam)*: I bow to the decision of the Chair.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters)*: Before we go further, I rise to a point of order. The Hon'ble Member is opposing the motion; but he has said that he is not against the insurance of the Potteries. Thereby he is saying that Rs. 1,250 should not be given; at the same time he is not against insuring. He is saying that the lessees should pay.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamangalam)*: I want certain information from the Government. I am on that. Later on I shall explain to you why I oppose this demand. Big matters of principle are involved; wait and see.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters)*: The point is this. When a member opposes the motion, at the same time he says that he is not against it, a ruling is required.

Mr. President: The point is the Company should pay and not the Government.

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Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* I shall try to explain why this is relevant. I would like to have points of information from the Government for helping me to explain my position.

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* If you require detailed information on several points, this may be taken up tomorrow.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamangalam)* Then this may be taken up tomorrow. You will also ascertain whether before extending the lease, the matter has been referred to the Advisory Committee on Industries and Commerce.

Mr. President: The question shall be taken up tomorrow.

8. Rs. 800, under "1—Land Revenue—Contingencies—Miscellaneous"

Mr. Parambi Lonappan *(Diwan Peishkar):* I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 800 under "I—Land Revenue, Contingencies, Miscellaneous", for payment of the cost of Encumbrance Certificates for parties who have applied for loans. Last year, Rs. 1,000 was allotted, but only Rs. 190 was spent. The balance lapsed. Rs. 800 is required to pay for Encumbrance Certificates and the applications for loans. I request that the grant may be sanctioned.

Demand put and carried

9. Rs. 540 under "I—Land Revenue Temporary Establishment"

Mr. Parambi Lonappan *(Diwan Peishkar):* I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 772 under "Land Revenue, consisting of Rs. 540" for temporary renewal staff and Rs. 232 for consolidated T. A. It is for the expenses for the special staff appointed for renewing the lease deeds of Sirkar lands in Palghat Taluk. The term of the temporary staff had to be extended till the end of Dhanu and therefore this allotment is required.

10. Rs. 232 under "1—Land Revenue Consolid ted T. A."

Mr. Parambi Lonappan *(Diwan Peishkar):* I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 232 under "I—Land Revenue—Consolidated T. A." I request that this allotment may be sanctioned.

Demand put and carried

11. Rs. 1,242 under "30 Scientific, etc., Departments—3—Geological Survey"

Mr. Parambi Lonappan *(Diwan Peishkar):* I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 1,242 under 30—Scientific, etc. Departments—3—Geological Survey. We have already started a survey; the establishment was sanctioned this year. This could not be included in the budget of this year. I request that this allotment may also be sanctioned.

Demand put and carried

12. Rs. 1,750 "19—3—Secondary Education—Boys Schools—Grant-in-aid"

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* I move for an additional allotment of Rs. 1,750 under "19—3—Secondary Education—Boys Schools—Grant-in-aid". The need for this additional allotment arose because on account of the evacuation of schools in the harbour area, the Managers of Schools have to be compensated for the loss of revenue. In the case of schools receiving aid, Government are refunding to them the loss of revenue and in the case of schools which do not receive any grant or schools which receive only a lump grant without any reference to the strength or fee income, a certain amount of compensation, not in a legal sense but in a moral sense, has got to be paid for these schools. There are three of them. One is the Sacred Heart's School at Thevara, the other is the upper secondary department of the St. Sebastian's School Palluruthi, and the third one, the H. E. H. M. High School at Mattancheri. The first two, receive no grant whatsoever—the Upper Secondary Portion I mean. The last one receives a lump grant of Rs. 750. It is proposed that for the time being when the evacuation continues and its results and its repercussions affect the fee income of the schools, a temporary grant of Rs. 1,000 to the Sacred Heart's School at Thevara, a sum of Rs. 500 to the St. Sebastian's School at Palluruthi and an additional amount of Rs. 250 to the Muslim School at Mattancheri are proposed to be given. Of course, it is a purely temporary measure, because it has affected temporarily the fee income of those schools. It is purely ephemeral. I request that the House may be pleased to grant this additional allotment of Rs. 1,750.

Demand put and carried

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